

The Leader.

OFFICIAL PAPER OF LOGAN COUNTY.

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RANGEHOLD TIME TABLE.

NORTH BOUND.
No. 406, Chicago Express, 5:45 a. m.
No. 408, M. & N. River Express, 3:20 p. m.
No. 422, Way Freight, 7:30 a. m.
No. 424, Local Freight, 11:30 p. m.

SOUTH BOUND.
No. 403, Texas Express, 11:10 p. m.
No. 407, Oklahoma Express, 12:35 p. m.
No. 421, Way Freight, 3:05 p. m.
Passengers should procure tickets before getting on the train.

SPEED is speeding to his doom.

SPEED will be engulfed at one fell swoop.

"Don't let this become public!"

INDIANA has had an earthquake, but it was no great shakes.

SPEED fits into his place a good deal like a pea in a rainwater barrel.

The check that George Gould gave Zella was not the one she wanted.

Look through this paper for holiday advertisements—you will find them on every page.

STUPID sneaks—"Don't let this become public." Cunning sneaks—"Burn this letter."

OSCAR WILDE calls his last play "A Woman of No Importance." The language is not ours.

The spectacle of Dunn calling a committee meeting is as good a joke as this Christmas will be.

PRENDERGAST may be insane but it is the duty of hangmen to protect the country against such insanity.

ONE can only account for the Greer-Donovan combination on the principle of the fortuitous concurrence of atoms.

BLESS our dear hearts, if a doctor cannot practice medicine until he graduates how on earth is he going to learn?

LEDRU' GUTHRIE has finished his "testifying" at Perry and is once more in Washington. He did no good for the Speed cause; therefore Speed is sore.

SPEED wants nothing so much as vindication now. Let's see, there was a gentleman by the name of Maynard wanted vindication the other day, and he got it.

Why don't Governor Renfrow commission some private and place him in command of a company or so of colonels to quell the insurrection in Beaver county?

Those so-called Democratic journals now howling so vigorously over alleged strip frauds are entirely harmless. Like runt pigs they squeal because they can't reach the swill barrel.

If Guthrie merchants, property owners and business men haven't enterprise enough to secure as big a thing as the fair exhibit, when it is already unloaded at our doors, it is about time to shut up shop and quit business.

THEY have a queer kind of justice in Nebraska. A half starved road agent who hold up a mail carrier and only got one cent, went up for life, while a bank cashier and president who managed to get away with \$1,000,000, were only sentenced for five years.

For those pretended democrats who continue to slander the land officials without one word of evidence, we have no feelings but those of unmitigated contempt, and the same respect for their democracy we have for the patriotism of Benedict Arnold, and the religion of Judas Iscariot.

"THE Fast Mail" is only billed for one night. But we have a local specimen that can give the company pointers. The performances of "Fast Mail" Speed are not limited to one night stands, although we understand he has relinquished his custom of dividing the gate receipts.

ED GREEN is a candidate for delegate at large from Kansas. There will doubtless never come a time when the Greer's are not after everything in sight. Kansas has done many foolish things in her time, but if she wishes to crown her wild, mad career of insanity, she should by all means send a Greer to congress.

JUROR BROOKS is doing some good work before the grand jury at Perry. If there is any fraud in that vicinity it will be exposed, and it will be owing to the work of the new assistant. Mr. Brooks is constantly present in the grand jury room and sees that the investigation proceeds with vigor and fairness. Those present say Speed spends most of his time in pounding the floor and chewing the rag.

TEXAS, Colorado, Kansas are each trying to outvie the other in protesting against annexation to Beaver county. They say the gain thereby would be a loss. Beaver is a spilt child and has been "sinking" but is finding out what a great, hollow, heartless world this is anyway, and will come back under the parental roof before long, satisfied.

AN EASY QUESTION. The organs and apologists of Speed and Flynn ask why democratic papers that a short time ago were denouncing the strip frauds, have now changed? Why, bless your souls, honey, we could not conceive that you

could so boldly charge them without some evidence for it. But since we have learned that you did, and that it was all gotten up to shield Horace and Dennis and your party, and to mislead us to the real sinners, we are disgusted and could not do otherwise than now denounce the infamous conspiracy. Now, "as us" something hard. "Don't let this become public!"

WORKMEN AND THE TARIFF.

Knights of Labor Chief Sovereign on Protection and Strikes.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Master Workman Sovereign, recently chosen to succeed T. V. Powderly as the head of the Knights of Labor, who is in Washington attending a congress of silver leaders, said last night of his policy: "I am against strikes. I have been connected with labor organizations for years and have never yet been in a strike."

Asked as to his position on the tariff, Mr. Sovereign said: "I am an out and out free trader. I believe in no makeshifts or partial reductions of tariff taxation. The so-called protection to all labor is a delusion. Labor is not protected. Invested capital receives a bonus in the form of protection and it is then optional with the capitalist to give a share of the bonus to labor in the form of increased wages. But the option is seldom if ever exercised."

Mr. Sovereign added that the tariff and all other questions would be made secondary to the money issue, which was the subject on which the Knights of Labor and all industrial orders would join. He says the Knights are about to enter upon a new era of prosperity. About 4,000 street car workers and as many more clothing operatives will soon be taken into the order at New York.

Mr. Sovereign will soon leave for a tour of North Carolina, Arkansas and the Indian territory to organize new branches of the order.

CRUELTY TO SAILORS.

Serious Charges Alleged Against the Chief Officer of the Netheroy.
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 18.—Jesse Williams, a sailor on the celebrated Brazilian war-ship Netheroy, has returned to his city with a tale of cruelty upon the part of Executive Officer Hill of the Netheroy.

He says that Officer Hill missed some liquor and had a sailor named Voss and the narrator locked in the hold on suspicion of stealing the liquor.

"For eight days and nights I suffered agonies," added Williams. "I was unable to sleep for four nights because my hands were kept behind my back. It was suffocating in the room in which I was kept and one day I climbed up the ladder to get a breath of fresh air. Mr. Hill was walking up and down the deck and as he saw me, he put his foot on my head and gave me a push. I arrived at the bottom of the ladder in a heap. This kind of thing went on until we reached St. Thomas. In a couple of days we were taken on board a boat and sent on shore to shift for ourselves. There were three of us then, for Jim Hendry, another of the crew, had been locked up for smoking. The Brazilian minister secured passage for us on the British ship Federation, and we reached Newport News on Sunday, December 10. From there I have been able to work my way to this city."

FATHER OF A PARTY DEAD.

James Black, First Prohibitionist Presidential Nominee, Passes Away.
LANCASTER, Pa., Dec. 18.—James Black for half a century prominent as a leader of the Prohibition party, is dead. He was the first Prohibitionist candidate for president. He was a Pennsylvanian, 70 years old September 23. He was educated at a law academy, admitted to the bar in 1846 and began practice in this place, which had since been his home.

Times for Singing "After the Ball."
MANKATO, Kan., Dec. 18.—The city council in order to increase the funds in the city treasury has passed an ordinance under the nuisance law to fine each and every person fifty cents for each and every time he or she might be found guilty of whistling or singing "After the Ball" between the hours of 6 o'clock in the morning and 10 o'clock at night. When the ordinance goes into effect there are expected to be some very interesting developments.

Fifteen Years for a Bandit.
St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 18.—Samuel Robertson, the last of the band Hill train robbers, was sentenced to fifteen years in the penitentiary. He was charged with burglary and robbery. September 5 Robertson, Muncie Wray and James Penick held up a Frisco train in St. Louis county, directly east of Pacific and attempted to rob the Wells Fargo express, but were repulsed and soon afterward captured. Wray and Penick have already received fourteen year sentences.

Bandit Hedgepeth Almost Escapes.
St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 18.—Marion Hedgepeth, the train robber recently sentenced to twenty-five years imprisonment for robbing a Frisco train at Glendale, fled the bars of his cell floor last night, and entering the corridor, attempted to escape from a window, but was captured by guards. The jail officials think Hedgepeth's wife conveyed the tools to him.

A Fearful Voyage of a Bark.
MELBOURNE, Dec. 18.—The bark Trafalgar arrived here yesterday from Batavia after a fearful voyage lasting forty-eight days. During the passage the captain of the Trafalgar two officers and three seamen died of fever. Several other seamen were prostrated by the same disease. A youth only 18 years of age navigated the vessel after the death of the captain and officers.

The Museum Fund.
About \$75 were added to the museum fund yesterday. The committee will begin work early to-day.

M. E. Conference.
Extensive preparations are being made for the M. E. church conference, which begins in this city Thursday and continues until Monday.

The new shoe store at 118 Harrison avenue keeps everything in footwear at prices—well, call and we will explain.

Now you must buy boots and shoes. This weather compels you to. Willhelmy, at 118 Harrison avenue, can save you money in that line.

FOR SALE. A lady's pony. Call at 415 North First street. 2621f

FOR RENT. One commodious six-room house close to the Catholic church with cellar, stable, buggy shed, wood shed and a good well. Rent very cheap. Address lock box 163. 1546

PERRY LAND OFFICE.

OVER TWO THOUSAND HOME-STEAD ENTRIES HAVE BEEN MADE.

A Very Busy Scene at the Perry Office, Matters Being Pushed Lively—Fourteen Hundred Contests Filled.

The United States Land office at Perry is a busy scene. There is the Register Mr. Malone and the Receiver Mr. King. Then there is the chief clerk, Mr. Lewis Davis and his assistants in the office, Thos. W. Steele, Miss Lillie Hickory, James Donegan, and Walter Leath. In the contest division may be found Frank Kearful, Frank Raymond, Henry Hudson, Mr. Smith, and Miss Mattie Horton, making the number engaged in the entire office twelve. The force is an efficient one and does enormous amount of business. The Perry Democrat says some idea may be gained of how hard they have labored when we state that during the three months they have been engaged, ending today there has been about 2575 homestead entries made, over 1400 contests filed and 1100 applications for homesteads rejected. Soldiers' declaratory statements to the amount of about 270 have been presented and nearly 500 applications suspended temporarily. Another item of interest in this connection is that about twenty townships throughout this land district have made application to be entered. Thursday there were fifty contests filed and yesterday there were over seventy. It is probable that today there will perhaps be almost one hundred contests filed, judging from the great number always the busy day. Today is the 10th of December and this country was opened to settlement just three months ago, therefore, those who have settled on claims must show up today, if they have not already done so, and make their applications. It is safe to say the Perry land office does more business than any other two offices in the United States. The entire force are competent and courteous, and the work goes on as if by machinery.

IN THE COURTS.

Counterfeiters in Police Court. Bern Burners and Gun Toters in Justice's Shop—Notes.

PROBATE COURT, JUDGE LAWRENCE.
James A. Drace was yesterday granted letters of administration on the estate of George A. Jasper, deceased. The estate consists chiefly of county warrants and lots.

JUDGE MORGAN'S COURT.
Alex. Stephens was fined \$5 and costs for shooting a dog at Johnson's saloon. A warrant was sworn out for J. N. Herman, on the charge of assault and destroying property in Johnson's saloon.

JUDGE CASSIDY'S COURT.
The arson case of James Williams, charged with arson, was on deck yesterday, but was not concluded. Williams is charged with firing his wife's barn in order to get the insurance.

UNITED STATES COMMISSIONER, GOODRICH.
Louis Frymire was arrested Saturday night for passing counterfeit money. Frymire got rid of eight spurious dollars. They were made of lead and were decidedly rank. He will have a preliminary to-day.

Robert McNeill, charged with cutting timber in Payne county, was brought in by Deputy Pentecost. He plead not guilty.

POLICE COURT.
Bill Mitchell, drunk and disorderly, fined \$15.
A. Gallegas, plain drunk, fined \$10.15.

A. L. Stephens is playing in hard luck. He came to the city Saturday with \$280 to see the elephant. He saw it. At Johnson's saloon he killed a dog and was mulcted for \$125. In Morgan's court he was obliged to pay \$5 and costs, and in police court was assessed a fine for drunkenness and disorderly conduct. The elephants cost money.

DISTRICT COURT.
Following new suits were filed: O. C. Holland vs. Guthrie National Bank, appeal from probate court; petition in error. Foster & Merrick attorneys for plaintiff.

H. R. Darrow vs. M. J. Scott, suit on note and foreclosure; C. T. Atkinson and Gardner & Risler, attorneys for plaintiff.

Wm. Wancko vs. David H. Mitchell, suit for \$100 damages and restraining order from cutting timber on defendant's land. Herod & Widmer for plaintiff.

George O. Richardson Machinery Co. vs. John J. and J. R. Tyron, personal judgment and note on mortgage; \$500 claimed.

FEDERAL JAIL CULLINGS.
Prisoners Brought in and Others Released. Case of William Lee.

J. C. Clapper, grand larceny, was brought in from Perry by Deputy Adams Saturday night.

E. F. Lansdall, of Perry, charged with carrying a concealed gun, was jailed yesterday.

Wm. See, the counterfeiter, was taken to Oklahoma City yesterday by Deputy Barrett, to stand trial.

Deputy Sheriff James, of Tecumseh, was in the city yesterday.

John Sullivan, grand larceny, was brought in from El Reno yesterday.

Marion Perry was taken to Tecumseh yesterday to stand trial for selling whiskey.

Statutes Bound Properly.
THE LEADER bindery is turning out statutes by the wholesale. The binding is the best ever done in the west. Call at this office and see them.

Santa Claus' headquarters at the "Kandle Citehls." 15

A NEW YEAR'S GIFT.
F. B. LILLIE & CO.
WILL GIVE TO THE
Most Popular Young Lady in Logan County
THAT BEAUTIFUL
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To be seen at their new store—the people to decide by vote who the young lady will be. Each purchase of \$50 will get one ticket. Get the tickets and vote your sentiment.

A NEW YEAR'S GIFT.

PRISONERS COMPLAIN.

DECLARE THEY ARE NOT TREATED PROPERLY AT THE COUNTY JAIL.

A Long Letter of Woe—Meal Hours that are Few and Far Between and Beds that are Hard and Cold—A Tough State of Affairs, if the Sheriff Painter Gives His Views.

The prisoners confined in the county jail evidently have a long, lousy kick coming. The following letter, written by the inmates of the bastille, is self-explanatory, and is given for what it is worth:

COUNTY JAIL, Dec. 18, 1903.
TO THE DAILY LEADER: A few days since a petition, signed by a majority of the inmates of the county jail, endeavoring to draw the attention of the good citizens and county commissioners of Logan county to the deplorable condition and partial treatment of the inmates, was mailed to you for publication, but as we (the inmates), understand, said petition never got further than the jailer's hands, at least, it was never published. The jail at present contains twenty-one inmates, and as there are only sixteen bunks or berths, some are compelled to sleep on the floor on a poor and filthy mattress, with only two poor blankets or quilts, and at all sufficient at the present time of the year. We are put in separate cells at 6 o'clock every evening, which compels us to do without water from that time until 2:30 o'clock the next morning. Now, as most of us suffer with more or less cold, consequently being feverish, we naturally crave water quite frequently. We have to do so, and since four o'clock, we have to wait until 2:30 o'clock, when we are generally not with a grain of sleep. Why didn't you get a drink before you went to your cell? A very obliging jailer, indeed! A few of the poets, the worthy bingers, are the only ones who are favored. The young lady, of a rather dusky hue, serving six months, is allowed to roam the streets after dark and follows her nefarious calling with good financial success. The "celestial" and "creation" also are enjoying the privilege of making the other inmates miserable by their continuous howling and most abusive use of the most vulgar and profane language. The food is fairly good in quality, but lacks considerably in quantity. We are not allowed to eat anything until 10 o'clock, and then we must get along from 10 o'clock p. m. to 5 a. m. without a bit, to satisfy our hunger. The jailer is a very poor fellow, and only those who are next to the stove are warm enough to make it passably comfortable during the day. The inmates of the cells farther from the stove must go to bed to keep warm. The worthy and most accommodating sheriff has invoked the rule of compelling visitors to run all over the city to find him the sheriff and obtain an order before anyone is allowed to see their friends behind the bars. Our letters are also read before they are allowed to go to the postoffice. Now, Mr. Editor, this is not a kick just to be found fault, but actual facts, and any and all can satisfy themselves by making a call and interviewing any of the inmates. Hoping that you will give this your kind consideration for publication. Respectfully yours, INMATES OF FAINTING LOGAN HOUSE. SHERIFF PAINTER DENIES THE CHARGE.

Sheriff Painter was seen last evening by THE LEADER reporter and questioned as to the truth of the allegations made by the prisoners.

"Oh, its all fol de roll," said Mr. Painter. "They are treated as well at this jail as in any other place. It is a notorious fact that prisoners are continually complaining."

"How about their meals, Mr. Painter?" questioned the reporter.

"The prisoners are properly fed and between meals can have victuals for the asking. Their beds are warm, and as good as can be found in any jail. One fact is true, however, there are not enough bunks. But this is no fault of mine. The prisoners have every facility for bathing, as waterworks pipes run directly into the jail. Of course, I cannot be at the jail all the time, but so far as I know the jailer is kind and courteous. Every time a prisoner kicks it brings forth maledictions on the sheriff's head. The prisoners have no grounds for complaint, considering our jail facilities."

Mr. Painter gave the reporter a pressing invitation to visit the jail and inspect its workings. As the reporter moved away, he said: "Any time you want to go to the jail and investigate, I am willing to accompany you."

From Blackwell.
Blackwell, Dec. 17. The city board of trustees has passed an ordinance for a corporation seal, and will devise something to use it upon at their next meeting.

We are assured of a bridge before the coming rains. Committees from the various towns of the county met this week in Blackwell, and agreed unanimously that the Oklahoma should be bridged near this city. Being almost in the exact center of the county, this bridge will accommodate more people than would one at any other point.

Our town is old enough for church socials, at least we had one this week. There has never been a death in Blackwell.

A railroad committee was appointed by the board of trade this week.

The city has a reception committee composed of two colonels and an all-around rustler, who performs a dozen commissions at once.

Santa Claus' advance agent has neglected to bill our town.

Many men have lately brought their families to Blackwell, and boarding houses are becoming more private. We have been roughing it so long we can appreciate the comforts of home. Living in tents is the past tense.

A. Blackwell started a force of workmen this week upon the foundation for a handsome and commodious brick church, which will be free to all denominations.

The meeting of stockholders last

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Anything of Value Taken in Trade for
Groceries, Flour and Feed,
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